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## 1 March

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were 6 degrees below zero during the morning and 2 degrees during the day. (1)

Yesterday during the day, cloudy weather with light precipitation prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Fog was recorded almost everywhere. Temperatures at 1500 were 5 degrees below zero in Kostyukovichi, 3 below in Gomel', zero in Bychikha, one degree above zero in Grodno, 2 in Minsk, Baranovichi, and Mogilev, 2 in Lel'chitsy, and 6 in Brest.(2)

# 2 March

Temperatures at 0900 this morning were 15 degrees below zero in Nar'yan-Mar, 12 below in Ufa, 11 below in Saratov and Orel, 10 below in Molotov, 9 below in Kuybyshev and Rostov, 8 below in Kazan', 7 below in Kiev and Khar'kov, 6 below in Gor'kiy, 4 below in Minsk, L'vov, Odessa, and Kishinev 3 below in Leningrad, zero in Riga, 2 degrees above zero in Yalta, and 8 in Sukhimi.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 9 degrees below zero; it was zero at noon today.(3)

## 3 March

Yesterday during the day, mostly cloudy weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Precipitation in the form of hail was recorded in the northern portion of the republic. Temperatures at 1500 were 4 degrees below zero in Gomel',

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. 3 below in Mogilev, one below in Minsk, Borisov, and Slutsk, zero in Grodno and Baranovichi, one degree above zero in Volkovysk, 4 in Pruzhany, and 5 in Vysokiy.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow and the temperature at noon today were both 3 degrees below zero.(3)

#### 4 March

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were zero during the morning and one degree below zero during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, overcast weather with precipitation prevailed in the northwestern portion of the Belorussian SSR. Variable cloudiness prevailed in the rest of the republic. Temperatures at 1500 were zero in Minsk and Vitebsk, one degree above zero in Polotsk, 2 in Mogilev, 4 in Brest, 5 in Pinsk, and 6 in Gomel'.(2)

## 5 March

Yesterday's temperatures were 21 degrees below zero on Dikson Island, 9 below in Moscow, 6 below in Kiev and Tallin, 5 below in Sverdlovsk and Riga, 3 degrees above zero in Ashkhabad, 4 above in Sochi, and 5 above in Yalta.

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were 8 degrees below zero during the morning and 5 below during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, cloudy with clearing weather and strong winds prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Light snow was recorded locally. Temperatures at 1500 were 6 degrees below zero in Vitebsk and Mogilev, 5 below in Polotsk and Gomel', 4 below in Minsk, 3 below in Mozyr', 2 below in Baranovichi, one below in Pinsk, zero in Grodno, and one degree above zero in Brest.(2)

This morning, cloudy weather with snowfalls, strong winds, and local snowstorms prevailed in the central and eastern regions of the European USSR.

Temperatures at 0900 this morning were 14 degrees below zero in Leningrad, 13 below in Minsk, Arkhangel'sk, and Murmansk, 12 below in Smolensk, Gor'kiy, Stalingrad, and Voronezh, 9 below in Riga and Orel, 8 below in Kiev, Khar'kov, Saratov, Kazan', and Rostov, 5 below in Kaliningrad, 4 below in Molotov and Kuybyshev, 3 below in L'vov, 2 below ir Sochi, and zero in Astrakhan'.

Last night's lowest temperature was 8 degrees below zero; it was 7 degrees below zero at noon today.(3)

## 6 March

Yesterday during the day, slightly cloudy weather with moderate and locally strong winds prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were 10 degrees below zero in Gomel', 8 below in Mogilev and Vitebsk, 7 below in Minsk, Polotsk, and Slutsk, 6 below in Pinsk, 5 below in Grodno, and 3 below in Brest.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 11 degrees below zero; it was 9 below at noon today.(3)

#### 7 March

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 21 degrees below zero; it was 8 below at noon today.(3)

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Yesterday during the day, cloudy with clearing weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Light snow fell in the eastern portion of the republic. Temperatures at 1500 were 5 degrees below zero in Polotsk and Vitebsk, 4 below in Minsk, Mogilev, Grodno, and Baranovichi, and 2 below in Bobruysk, Brest, Gomel', and Pinsk.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 8 degrees below zero; it was 6 below at noon today. (3)

### 13 March

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were 16 degrees below zero during the morning and 5 below during the day. (1)

Yesterday during the day, cloudy with clearing weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Snowfalls and light snowstorms were recorded locally. Temperatures at 1500 were 8 degrees below zero in Lida and Novogrudok, 7 below Minsk, Vitebsk, Mogilev, and Borisov, 6 below in Grodno and Baranovichi, 5 below in Pinsk and Brest, 4 below in Mozyr', and 3 below in Lel'chitsy.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 10 degrees below zero; it was 2 below at noon today.(3)

### 14 March

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were 15 degrees below zero during the morning, and 6 below at noon.(1)

Yesterday during the day, slightly cloudy weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Variable cloudiness and light snow was recorded only in the extreme northwestern portion. Temperatures at 1500 were 8 degrees below zero in Bychikha, 6 below in Polotsk, Grodno, Vitebsk, Minsk, and Mogilev, 5 below in Gomel', and 4 below in Pinsk and Brest.(2)

This morning, slightly cloudy, cold weather prevailed in the western regions, in the northern portion of the central regions, and the northeastern regions.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 12 degrees below zero; it was 6 below at noon today.(3)

### 15 March

Yesterday during the day, slightly cloudy weather prevailed in the Beloussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were 6 degrees below zero in Kostyukovichi, 5 below in Minsk and Gomel', 4 below in Vitebsk, 3 below in Bobruysk and Zhitkovichi, 2 below in Grodno and Brest, and one below in Lel'chitsy.(2)

### 16 March

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were one degree below zero during the morning, 6 degrees above during the day.(1)

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Yesterday during the day, cloudy with clearing weather without substantial precipitation prevailed in the European USSR, Temperatures at 1500 were zero in Lel'chitsy and Minsk, one degree above zero in Baranovichi and Bragin, 2 in Vitebsk and Polotsk, and 3 in Grodno.(2)

#### 17 March

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Yesterday during the day, slightly cloudy, warm weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were zero in Orsha, one degree above zero in Gomel', 2 in Bragin, 3 in Minsk, Polotsk, and Slutsk, 4 in Borisov, 5 in Lida and Novogrudok, 6 in Grodno, and 7 in Brest and Pruzhany.(2)

This morning, overcast weather with snowfalls and moderate subzero weather prevailed in the northeastern regions of the European USSR. Moderate subzero weather was recorded also in the Volga Region. Slightly cloudy weather with temperatures slightly below zero prevailed in the rest of the European USSR.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 5 degrees below zero; it was 4 degrees above zero at noon today.(3)

### 18 March

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were zero during the morning and 3 degrees above zero during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, slightly cloudy weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were 2 degrees above zero in Minsk, 3 in Vitebsk, 4 in Pinsk, Mogilev, and Polotsk, and 6 in Brest and Grodno.(2)

Yesterday during the day, clear weather without precipitation prevailed in most of the European USSR.

Temperatures at 0900 this morning were 13 degrees below zero in Ufa, 10 below in Chkalov and Molotov, 8 below in Smolensk, 7 below in Stalingrad, 6 below in Khar'kov, Voronezh, and Rostov, 5 below in Minsk, 4 below in Astrakhan', 3 below in Kiev, I.'vov, and Kuybyshev, 2 below in Tallin and Riga, one below in Odessa, Leningrad, Murmansk, and Vologda, zero in Kazan' and Arkhandel'sk, one degree above zero in Gor'kiy, 4 in Sochi, and 7 in Sukhumi.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 3 degrees below zero; it was 5 degrees above at noon today.(3)

## 19 March

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were one degree below zero during the morning and one degree above zero during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, slightly cloudy weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were zero in Zhlobin, one degree above zero in Minsk, 2 in Gomel' and Polotsk, 3 in Mogilev and Vitebsk, 4 in Baranovichi, 5 in Grodno, and 6 in Vysokiy.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 3 degrees below zero; it was one degree above zero at noon today.(3)

## 20 March

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were 2 degrees below zero during the morning, 2 degrees above zero during the day.(1)

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Yesterday during the day, slightly cloudy weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were one degree above zero in Gomel', 2 in Mogilev and Vitebsk, 3 in Polotsk and Minsk, 4 in Bobruysk, 6 in Pinsk, 7 in Grodno, and 8 in Brest.(2)

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 9 degrees below zero; it was 2 degrees below at noon today.(3)

### 21 March

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No weather reports were published on this date. 7

#### 22 March

Yesterday during the day, slightly cloudy weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were zero in Gomel', one degree above zero in Minsk, Mozyr', and Bragin, 2 in Orsha and Mogilev, 3 in Bychikha and Borisov, 4 in Lida and Volkovysk, and 5 in Brest and Grodno.(2)

#### 23 March

This morning, cloudy weather with light snowfalls was recorded in the northern and eastern regions of the European USSR and the Urals and locally in the southern Ukraine and Rostovskaya Oblast.

Temperatures at 0900 this morning were 29 degrees below zero on Dikson Island, 23 below in Nar'yan-Mar, 21 below in Ust'-Tsil'ma, 9 below in Chkalov, 6 below in Arkhangel'sk, 4 below in Molotov, 3 below in Stalingrad, 2 below in Sverdlovsk, Kuybyshev, and Rostov, one below in Minsk, Krasnodar, Gor'kiy, Poltava, and Gur'yev, zero in Astrakhan', one degree above zero in Leningrad and Kiev, 3 in Odessa, 4 in Sochi, 5 in Yalta, and 6 in Sukhumi.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 4 degrees below zero, it was 2 degrees above at noon today.(3)

# 24 March

Yesterday morning's temperatures were 29 degrees below zero on Dikson Island, 26 below in Russkaya Gavan', 23 below in Nar'yan-Mar, 8 below in Chkalov, 6 below in Arkhangel'sk, 5 below in Murmansk, 2 below in Moscow and Sverdlovsk, one below in Minsk and Gor'kiy, zero in Riga, one degree above zero in Tallin and Kiev, 3 in Odessa, 4 in Sochi, 5 in Yalta, and 7 in Ashkhabad.

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were one degree above zero during the morning and zero during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, slightly cloudy weather was recorded in the Belorussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were 2 degrees above zero in Kostyukovichi, 4 in Gomel' and Polotsk, 5 in Minsk, 8 in Lel'chitsy, 10 in Baranovichi, 11 in Grodno, and 13 in Brest.(2)

This morning, warm, cloudy weather prevailed in Arkhangel'skaya Oblast, the Baltic Republics, and the northern portion of the central region. Precipitation in the form of rain and wet snow was recorded in Arkhangel'skaya Oblast.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was zero; it was 3 degrees above zero at noon today.(3)

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#### 25 March

Yesterday's temperature in Leningrad was 2 degrees above zero both during the morning and during the day:(1)

Yesterday during the day, variable cloudiness without precipitation prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were 2 degrees above zero in Vitebsk, 4 in Mogilev, 5 in Minsk and Gomel', 10 in Baranovichi, 12 in Pinsk, 13 in Grodno, and 14 in Brest.(2)

This morning, cold weather with snowfalls of short duration prevailed in the northern regions of the European USSR. Temperatures dropped to 30-34 degrees below zero in the northern portion of Arkhangel'skaya Oblast and in Komi ASSR. Snowfalls, strong winds, and local snowstorms were recorded in the eastern regions of the European USSR.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was zero; it was 2 degrees above zero at noon today.(3)

#### 26 March

Yesterday during the day, slightly cloudy, warm weather prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were 5 degrees above zero in Polotsk, 8 in Minsk, Borisov, and Bobruysk, 9 in Novogrudok, 10 in Brest, 11 in Baranovichi, and 12 in Lida, Grodno, and Volkovysk.(2)

This morning, cloudy with clearing weather prevailed in the European USSR. Temperatures dropped to 26-33 degrees below zero in Komi ASSR, 10-13 below in the northern portion of the central region, and 12-18 below in the eastern regions of the European USSR.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 10 degrees below zero; it was 7 below at noon today.(3)

## 27 March

This morning, slightly cloudy weather without precipitation prevailed in most of the European USSR.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 4 degrees below zero; it was 6 degrees above zero at noon today.(3)

## 28 March

Yesterday during the day, variable cloudiness without precipitation prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were 4 degrees above zero in Polotsk, 6 in Vitebsk, 8 in Grodno, 9 in Minsk, 10 in Baranovichi, 12 in Brest, 14 in Bobruysk, 15 in Pinsk, and 16 above zero in Mozyr'.(2)

This morning, overcast weather with snowfalls and temperatures slightly below zero prevailed in the northern and extreme eastern regions of the European USSR. Extreme subzero temperatures were recorded in the extreme eastern regions of the European USSR. Very low subzero temperatures were recorded in the extreme northeastern regions.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was one degree below zero; it was 4 degrees above zero at noon today.(3)



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### 29 March

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Yesterday during the day, variable cloudiness prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Temperatures at 1500 were 2 degrees above zero in Polotsk, 3 in Vitebsk, 4 in Minsk, 5 in Brest, and 6 in Lel'chitsy and Grodno.(2)

#### 30 March

This morning, warm, cloudy weather prevailed in the northwestern regions of the European USSR, the Belorussian SSR, the Ukraine, and the western portion of the central region of the European USSR. Light rains were recorded locally.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was zero and it was 3 degrees above zero at noon today.(3)

### 31 March

Yesterday's temperatures in Leningrad were 3 degrees above zero during the morning and 5 degrees during the day.(1)

Yesterday during the day, variable cloudiness prevailed in the Belorussian SSR. Light rain was recorded in the northern portion of the republic. Temperatures at 1500 were 7 degrees above zero in Polotsk and Vitebsk, 9 in Lepel, 12 in Mogilev, 13 in Minsk, Grodno, Novogrudok, and Gomel', 14 in Baranovichi, 15 in Volkovysk, 16 in Pinsk and Fruzhany, and 17 in Lel'chitsy.(2)

This morning, rain was recorded and warm weather prevailed in the Baltic republics, the northwestern regions of the European USSR and the northern portion of the central region. Very warm weather without precipitation prevailed in most of the Belorussian SSR and the Ukraine. Temperatures slightly below zero were recorded in the northeastern and eastern regions of the European USSR. Snow fell locally. Cold weather prevailed in the Lower Volga Regior.

Temperatures at 0900 this morning were 13 degrees below zero in Salekhard, 2 below in Kuybyshev, one below in Saratov, zero in Chkalov and Molotov, one degree above zero in Astrakhan', 2 in Arkhangel'sk, Syktyvkar, Leningrad, Petrozavodsk, and Sverdlovsk, 3 in Rostov, 4 in Kaliningrad and Voronezh, 5 in Khar'kov and Krasnodar, 7 in Riga and Odessa, 8 in Minsk, 9 in Kiev, Yalta, and Sochi, and 10 in L'vov.(3)

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